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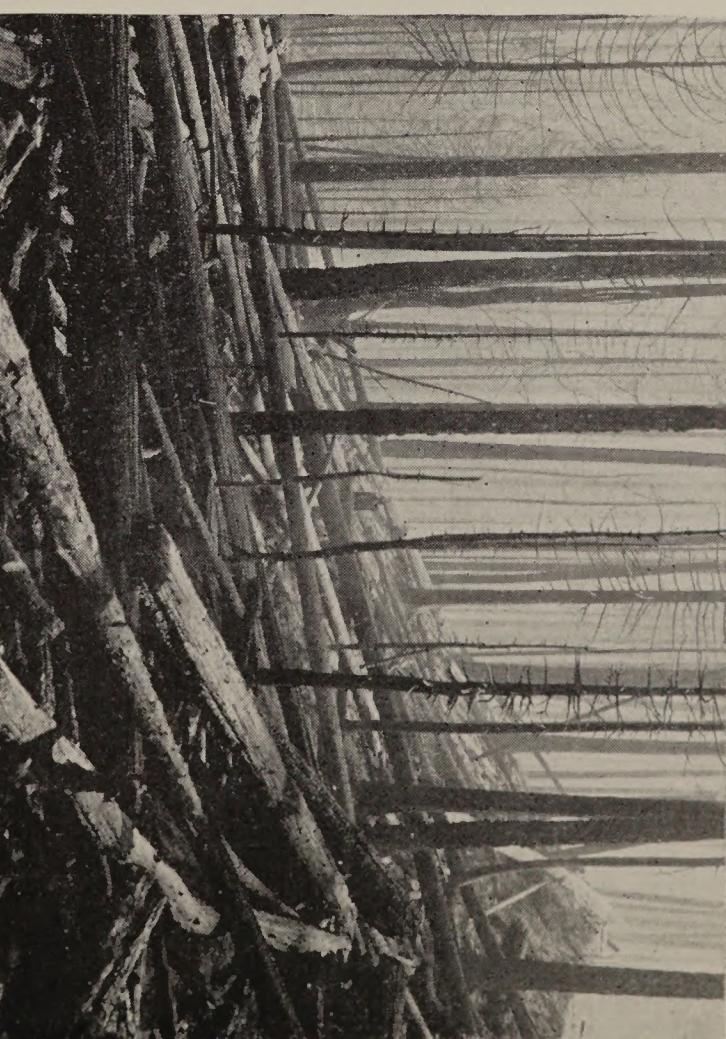


This is the forest fire evil;
The murmuring firs and the cedars
Stand, like a skeleton forest,
Stripped of their beauteous raiment.

Gone is the joy of the forest.

Gone is the pleasure it gave us.
Mute, reproachful, and silent
It stands in its black desolation.

You who enjoy the wild beauty
Of forested mountain and valley,
Leave it as green as you find it—
Leave no smouldering spark to destroy it.



GOOD FOREST MANNERS

1. **Permits.**—Secure a camp-fire permit where required before you start on your camping trip. It's free. The Ranger or Fire Guard will issue you one.
2. **Matches.**—Be sure your match is out. Break it in two before you throw it away. It's a good habit to have.
3. **Tobacco.**—Be sure that pipe ashes and cigar and cigarette stubs are dead before you throw them away. Never throw them into brush, leaves, or needles.
4. **Making camp.**—Before building a fire, scrape away all inflammable material from a spot 5 feet in diameter. Dig a hole in the center and in it build your camp fire. Keep your fire small. Never build it against trees or logs or near brush.
5. **Breaking camp.**—Never break camp until your fire is out—*dead out*.
6. **Brush burning.**—Never burn slash or brush in windy weather, or while there is the slightest danger that the fire will get away.

